

## LEMUEL COOPER MEETS DEATH

Interurban Hits Auto at  
"Dead Man's Crossing"  
South of Town—Old  
Resident of County

Lemuel C. Cooper, 79, a retired farmer, living at 643 North Washington street, was instantly killed Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock, when a north bound interurban car struck his automobile at the town line or "Dead Man's Crossing," south of Owosso. The accident occurred while Mr. Cooper was going from his own farm, about three-quarters of a mile west of the crossing, to the farm of his brother, Charles Cooper, about a mile east of the crossing. The crossing is particularly dangerous, both the road and the car track passing through intersecting cuts, making it nearly impossible to see down the track either way until one is almost on the track.

**Looked at Car**  
Mr. Cooper, driving alone, was going east. Bert Dulles, motorman of the car, says he blew his whistle and saw Mr. Cooper look at the car.

"He kept on coming and kept looking straight at me," declared the motorman. "I thought he would stop, but he didn't and was still looking at me when the crash came."

The car hit the automobile on the right front side, turned it completely around and hurled it against the pole, which holds up the warning bell and light, snapping it off like a match. The machine was turned over, and when William Chase, county road commissioner, and La Salle Grove, who were a few rods away heard the crash, reached the scene, they found Mr. Cooper's body under the auto. The interurban car had continued up the track several lengths and the two men reached the scene before the crew got back. They were unable to reach the body, however, as the auto was lying against a wire connected with the deadly third rail.

**Killed Instantly**  
The motorman at once placed a cut off on the third rail and Mr. Cooper's body was taken out.

Physicians were summoned, but they declared that Mr. Cooper had been killed instantly. His skull was fractured, his neck and nearly every bone in his body was broken.

Justice R. S. Day was called and decided that no inquest was necessary.

**Life Long Resident**  
Mr. Cooper was a life long resident of Shiawassee county. He was born in Bennington township on August 3, 1843, and lived in that township until about eight years ago when he moved to Owosso. Mrs. Cooper, who was Miss Sarah Beers, prior to her marriage, died four years ago. Surviving are three children, Frank Cooper, a professor at Yale University, who is now home for the summer; Miss Grace Cooper living at home, and Mrs. Earl Adams, of Plainwell. He also leaves the following brothers and sisters, Mrs. P. B. Reynolds, Maple River; Mrs. C. S. Watson, Owosso; Mrs. Bina Lewis, Owosso township; Charles Cooper, Maple River, and William Cooper, of Owosso township.

Mr. Cooper's son, Frank, had been in the custom of accompanying his father on his daily trips to the farm, but Monday, because of work at home, he did not go. He believes that had he gone with his father, the accident would not have occurred.

Monday's accident was the third tragedy to occur on this crossing since the interurban road was built a few years ago.

The remains were removed to the funeral parlors of Jennings & Son. Funeral services were held from Mr. Cooper's late home on North Washington street at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

## Repairer Beat Up.

According to E. P. Vandewater, local agent for the Michigan Central, a car repairer was taken from the caboose of a freight train standing in the Michigan Central yards here Tuesday, hurried into the country, beaten up, and thrown in the ditch. He was later picked up by a train crew and taken to Lansing, where it is reported his condition is serious. Mr. Vandewater said the man was taken from the caboose while the trainmaster was only three car lengths away and he saw nothing of it. Neither of the officials know who took the man away.

Ann Arbor strikers declare that they had heard of the incident, but do not know who did it.

## Relieved of \$120

Henry Brown, owner of the Brunswick billiard hall on North Water street, was held up and relieved of \$120 last Saturday night. As Mr. Brown was returning home at about 12:45 he was surprised to see a man sitting in his porch swing. The man quickly advanced, telling him to throw up his hands. Mr. Brown thinking himself to be the victim of a practical joke advised the stranger to call off his dog. Upon being menaced with a gun, however, Mr. Brown was forced to lay face down, ward on the floor while \$120 was removed from his hip pocket. The man is described as medium sized, spare, wearing a slouched cap and a mask. The man, Mr. Brown says, was very cool and deliberate. He knew his business and certainly didn't mince matters. Evidently he was a past master.

## MOTORCYCLE HIT BY AUTO

State Police Severely Hurt  
Saturday Night—Lights  
Went Out—Caused  
by Child

The state troopers, Joseph Sheridan, and Glen J. Foreman, were taken to Memorial hospital suffering from injuries sustained at about 9 o'clock Saturday night, when the motorcycle and sidecar in which they were riding, collided with a car driven by a farmer. Sheridan, who was riding in the sidecar, was injured internally, and has cuts and bruises, while Foreman sustained a gash on his left leg that required 40 stitches to close up. He also was cut and bruised otherwise.

**Lights Go Out**  
There were three cars in the party of state constabulary, one car ahead and one behind Foreman's motorcycle. Foreman alleges that as the car ahead met the oncoming car the latter's lights went off. When they came on again Foreman says he saw it only a few feet away and on the left side of the road. An accident seemed unavoidable. The crash threw both men from the motorcycle and rendered both semi-unconscious.

**Accident Caused by Child**  
The driver explained, they said, that his baby was riding in the front seat with him, and when he started to dim the lights in meeting the police car, the baby fell over on the steering wheel. The driver momentarily lost control of the machine and it swerved over in front of the police car.

The other men in the party were Sgt. George Grizzell and George E. Karkeet, and Troopers Coy Rankin, Vern Warden and Roy Willert.

## Heating Tank Lost.

One of the heating tanks for the armory arrived Wednesday after having been on the road since July 5. The second heater, has not yet arrived, although both were shipped at the same time. Both became lost on the road, and a tracer has been sent out after the other one.

All other apparatus has been installed in the armory and only the failure of the tanks to arrive has held up the opening of the swimming pool. As soon as they can be installed, the pool will be opened to members and to others who care to pay a fee for the use of the pool.

It is also announced that two of the tennis courts, being built next to the armory, will be ready for use by the last of the week.

## New Hospital Class

A new class of student nurses is to be formed early in October at Memorial hospital. Miss Martha Gaulke, superintendent of nurses, announces. The training period runs three years, at the end of which the students passing the examinations are graduated and are eligible to register.

The requirements for enrollment in the class are that the applicant must be between 18 and 35 years of age, and have had at least one year of high school work. Persons interested may learn further particulars by calling on or writing to Miss Gaulke at the hospital.

Members of the sheriff's department Monday afternoon found a Ford car owned by Lawrence Mulcahy of Lennon, which was stolen Sunday, on North Shiawassee street, out of Owosso. The car was stolen while Mr. Mulcahy was attending a ball game at McCurdy park.

## A. A. FIREMAN DRINKS ACID

Ray Secord, Stationary Fireman at A. A. Shops, Ends  
Life at His Home  
Wednesday.

Ray Secord, 40 years old, living at 306 Cornum avenue, and employed at the Ann Arbor railroad shops here, a stationary fireman until he went out on strike Monday morning, ended his life at noon Wednesday by swallowing almost three ounces of carbolic acid. He died before medical aid could reach him.

Secord, according to his wife, came into the kitchen where she and her daughter, by a previous marriage, were at work. Walking up to her, Mrs. Secord said, her husband put his arm around her and kissed her. Then he stepped back and picked up something, and stepped over to the sink, drank. She says she heard something fall on the tin covering of the kitchen cabinet and looking, saw it was a bottle bearing a carbolic acid label. She said that Secord wheeled around, without saying a word, and went into the bedroom where he collapsed, falling on the bed.

"I thought he was drinking from the teapot," said Mrs. Secord, "until I saw the bottle. He was quite a hand to drink cold tea right from the teapot."

Secord was one of the six power house employees at the local car shops who went on strike at 8 o'clock Monday morning in answer to the nation-wide strike order of Stationary Engineers and Oilers.

Since going out on strike, Secord was greatly downcast, his wife said, particularly because his place had been filled.

"He wanted to go over to the shops and take these men who are filling the places of the strikers, out," declared Mrs. Secord. "He said several times that he was ready to go if the rest would go."

Mrs. Secord also declared that her husband had been out of work most of last winter because the shops had been closed down, and that he was just getting squared away financially when the present strike came on. He had been trying to save money, she said, to make a first payment on a home.

Secord was born and raised in Owosso and had lived here all his life. He was a member of the Eagles. Surviving him are his widow, to whom he was married six years ago, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Secord, living south of Owosso; four brothers, Alfred Secord, of Owosso; Bert, of Garfield; James, of Lansing; and Charles at home. He also leaves a sister, Mrs. Mary McClure, of Lansing.

The funeral will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock from the parlors of Jennings & Son. Burial at Oak Grove cemetery.

## Named to Supervise Fair Running Races



W. J. DOWLING

Of interest to racing followers throughout Michigan is the announcement by G. W. Dickinson secretary-manager of the Michigan State Fair, that W. J. "Bill" Dowling, of Owosso, will have charge of the six-day running race meet scheduled for this year's exposition, Detroit, September 1 to 10.

Mr. Dowling has had wide experience in the running horse world and has supervised the races at Bay City, Jackson, Adrian and Grand Rapids fairs in recent years. He is making elaborate preparations for the State Fair meet which will open September 4 and run through the ninth.

The important event of the meeting will be the State Fair Derby, slated for Labor Day. A purse of \$1,000 will go to the winner. Purses for the entire meeting will exceed \$15,000.

## Fine Dope

The following little editorial was clipped from Wednesday's Detroit Times and to our mind is concise, reasonable and right to the point: Mr. Harding, why not open those mines yourself? You can do it. The owners are too wise to resist you. Put the union men at work, instead of having the army shoot them. You couldn't run mines with scabs, they don't know how, and you don't know how. Find out what coal really costs, at what price it ought to sell. You may find it isn't necessary to reduce workmen's wages, only necessary to reduce mine owners' extortionate charges.

## "Dead Man's Crossing."

"The Michigan Railways Co. should be made to separate the grade at their crossing on the town line or to take their track out of there," declared Otis Waugh Wednesday, discussing the crossing accident of Monday afternoon in which Lemuel C. Cooper, of this city, was instantly killed when his automobile was struck at that crossing.

"If the company doesn't want to separate its grades, it should be compelled to remove the banks of the cut and clear away the brush and trees, which block the view down the track each way," asserted Mr. Waugh. "This is the third fatal accident on the crossing. How many more people have got to be killed there before something is done to make the crossing safe?"

## OLD RESIDENT DIES SUDDENLY

L. P. Royce, Long a Resident  
of Owosso, Passed Away  
Last Monday

L. P. Royce, former rural mail carrier out of the Owosso office, and well known here for many years, died suddenly at his home, 539 Ada street, at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 at the home, Rev. C. D. Ellis, of Gregory, officiating. Burial took place at Oak Hill.

Mr. Royce was born in Livingston county on June 9, 1854, and lived at Byron and Morris until about 30 years ago when he moved to Owosso. He followed the carpenter's trade until 31 years ago when he was appointed rural mail carrier on route No. 6. He continued in that capacity until three years ago when ill health made it necessary for him to retire. Since that time he had suffered numerous bad spells, and had grown no better. He had, however, of late, been able to walk about the city. Monday morning he was up and dressed and ate breakfast with his family. In the afternoon he suffered another attack of heart trouble and expired.

The deceased is survived by his widow and three children, John Royce, of Wound City, Ill.; Mrs. Allen Orser, of Owosso; and Waldo Royce, of Detroit. Another son, Innes J. Royce, died a year ago.

He also leaves two brothers, J. D. Royce, of Cornum, and Howard W. Royce, of Chicago.

Mr. Royce was an elder in the Presbyterian church at Byron before coming to Owosso, and since had been an active member of the Congregational church. He was also a member of the Maccabees.

## Camp Meeting

Camp meeting will be held at Cornum from August 3 to August 13 this year. Following the custom of past years, the camp will be held at McCurdy park. Rev. W. S. C. McGroves of Grand Rapids, will again be in charge. The program for this year will be considerably stronger, than in other years. Rev. W. G. Nixon, one of Detroit's outstanding pastors, will preach on the first Sunday, August 6. Julian West, poet, preacher and orator, will preach on both Sunday afternoons. Rev. C. E. Wakefield of Detroit, an expert in young people's work, will be in charge of the work on the afternoon of August 13. August 10 will be the farmer's day and W. H. Diehl, D. D., of Albion, who has a deep sympathy with the farmers, will have charge of the day. Many other special days and features are being planned for the meeting.

Miss Anna Holland, North Park street, left Tuesday morning for Topinka, where she will spend two weeks at the Armstrong cottage.

## Strikers Law-Abiding

"Mr. Blomberg continually talks about protection," declared a member of the publicity committee. "What does he need of further protection. He has special guards in the yards and none of the strikers go on railroad property. And if he did, he wouldn't destroy any property or hurt anyone. We don't want to see any damage done to the railroad property. We are all law-abiding citizens of Owosso, which is more than can be said of some of the guards on duty, and we aren't going to do any damage. But if we can talk to the strikebreakers working here, and convince them that they are in the wrong in taking strikers' places, we will do it."

## ELIZA SCHULTZ PASSES AWAY

Taken Suddenly Sunday by a  
Stroke of Paralysis—  
Leaves Large Family

Mrs. Eliza Schultz, 65, wife of Charles Schultz, 286 Michigan avenue, died suddenly Sunday afternoon as the result of a stroke of paralysis. While she had not been in the best of health, she was up and around the house and at dinner with the family. Soon afterward she was stricken and died almost immediately.

Mrs. Schultz was born in Detroit, and lived in New Haven township for 40 years, coming to Owosso several years ago. She attended the Evangelical church. Mrs. Schultz was the mother of 13 children, 11 of whom survive her, with her husband. The children are: Mrs. Jacob Kurrie, New Haven; Julius Schultz, Owosso township; Mrs. Raymond Dynes, Owosso township; Henry Schultz, Owosso township; Mrs. Milton Freeman, Rush; Mrs. John Calhoun, Chesaning; Mrs. Ervin De Frenn, Caladonia; Mrs. Benjamin Bentley, Jackson; Clarence Schultz, New Haven; and Emma and Kenneth Schultz, living at home. She also leaves one brother, Henry Kiser, Detroit; one half brother, John Prehn, California; and one half sister, Mrs. Augusta Stewart, of Owosso township.

The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock from the home and at 1:30 at the church. Burial took place at the West Haven Cemetery.

## J. Hatfield Injured

J. Hatfield, 730 Clinton street, sustained the fracture of his left arm Tuesday morning, while on his way to Owosso from Henderson. He had been at that village on business and had started to walk back to Owosso, down the railroad track.

Mr. Hatfield, who has been in poor health, became dizzy and fell, fracturing the left arm, and was unable to rise. A freight train crew found him and brought him to the city, where Jennings & Son's ambulance removed him to his home.

## Examinations Given Again

The Civil Service Commission invites special attention to the fact that in examinations held recently in Lansing, Mich., and other cities throughout the United States for junior engineer, Bureau of Standards; junior physicist, Bureau of Standards; junior technologist, Bureau of Standards, applicants were not secured in the number desired, and that those examinations will be held again on August 23.

Persons interested in these or other examinations should apply to the Secretary of the U. S. Civil Service Board at the local postoffice for detailed information and application blanks.

Miss Alice Bartlett, East Mason street, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Dale Williams in Pontiac. She will also visit in Redford before returning home.

Wednesday afternoon as Edward Calkins and C. H. Cobb stepped off the curb to cross Washington they were struck by a car driven by Clark Wethee. Cobb was grazed only slightly, but Calkins was knocked down. He clung to the bumper until the car stopped, and was bruised considerably.

W. E. Washburn, who is obtaining rights of way on both banks of the Comstock creek for the city, preparatory to the building of the big combination sanitary and storm sewer authorized by the commission, declared Thursday that he had secured the consent of practically all of the property owners. Only one or two are still unassigned, he said, and efforts to get them to sign will be made soon.

## LAD LOSES PART OF HAND

Fingers Blown Away by Ex-  
plosion of Dynamite Cap—  
Sends Officers on Wild  
Goose Chase

Louis Zelenka, nine-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Zelenka, North Chipman street, lost three fingers and part of his left hand, Sunday noon, when he pounded a dynamite cap.

The accident happened near the Carson school house and the youngster, with playmates, walked to the office of Dr. A. L. Arnold, Jr., for treatment.

Evidently frightened by the seriousness of his self inflicted injury, the lad determined to escape censure when questioned as to how he sustained the injury, for the boy said that a man shot him from the opposite side of the river.

Dr. Arnold notified the sheriff's department and officers reached the hospital at about the same time Dr. Arnold arrived there with the boy. The youngster repeated the same story. The officers at once set out in search of the supposed gunman, searching both sides of the river for several miles. They didn't find anyone with the gun, but they did find some dynamite cartridges and the place where one had been shot off. Around it was blood, and a short ways off one of the boy's fingers was found.

Returning to the hospital, they again questioned the youngster and he admitted that no one shot him. Only the thumb and little finger were left on the boy's hand, and it was necessary to amputate the greater part of the hand. He is expected to recover.

## MORRICE

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Root and family of Bennington, Mr. and Mrs. George Rondo of Morris, moved to Lansing, Sunday, and spent the day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clare Cripe and family.

Lawrence Ferman, east of Morris, was able to return home Friday morning from Memorial hospital.

Dr. A. E. Ames returned to Houghton Lake Sunday.

## LOCALS

H. P. Orr, of Caro, was in the city on business yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Claude Nutson returned Thursday from an outing at Bnlah. Mr. Nutson and two sons will motor from that resort today.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Berger, sons Albert and Frank, of Gallon, Ohio, are the guests of their daughter and sister, Mrs. Howard Williams, Abbot street.

Mrs. W. A. Upham and E. A. Upham left for Torch Lake Thursday morning, where they will stay at the Upham cottage. Mr. W. A. Upham will go later.

The funeral services of Mrs. M. J. Fuller, of Roscommon, will be held from the home of Frank Fish, 727 Bradley street, with whom she formerly lived, tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. Burial at Oak Hill cemetery.

Walter Eldridge of Owosso, paid a fine of \$10 and costs in justice court Monday, for accosting Mrs. B. M. Moore of Cornum, on the street in Owosso Saturday night. Eldridge was intoxicated, the officers assert.

Mrs. Bessie Bowerman of Dorand, has begun divorce proceedings against Reo Bowerman, charging non-support. She avers that he refused to support her because she would not turn her two children by a former marriage, out of the family.

Mrs. Edward Wurm left Tuesday for Toledo, and from there will go to Johns town, New York, where she will be the guest of relatives. Mrs. Wurm will join her husband in Jersey City, New Jersey, where they will make their home.

The band concert and street dance on North Washington Thursday evening called out a large crowd, who seemed to enjoy it immensely. It is planned to hold a band concert weekly during the rest of the summer. At least one of them will be played at Bentley park.

Louis W. Bailey, 1233 North Shiawassee street, received word Tuesday of the death of his mother, Mrs. Mary E. Bailey, which occurred in Portland, Oregon. Mrs. Bailey was 83 years of age. She moved to Portland about 10 years ago. Her husband, Marens Bailey, passed away 25 years ago in this city.

WANTED at the Kalamazoo State Hospital, reliable young men and women to work on wards as attendants. Apply to Medical Superintendent, Box A, Kalamazoo, Michigan. 17-4t